To: Members of the City Council

From: Mayor E. Kirk Rivers

**Date:** June 23, 2023

**Re:** Consideration – Appointments / Re-Appointments to Airport Authority

## **BACKGROUND:**

According to provisions set out in the North Carolina General Statutes, the Elizabeth City-Pasquotank County Airport Authority is comprised of six members and a chairperson: three members appointed by the City Council and three members appointed by the Board of County Commissioners, with the chairperson appointed on an alternating basis by the two governing bodies. Board members serve two-year terms. Most recently, the City of Elizabeth City appointed the Chairperson (2021), so that decision will now go to the City this year.

## ANALYSIS:

The City's present appointees are Mayor Kirk Rivers, (who was appointed last year), Rodney Walton and Dr. Kuldeep Rawat. Both Mr. Walton and Dr. Rawat will expire in July 2023. Airport Manager Scott Hinton has brought forward a promising new appointee for the City, Chris Perry. Additionally, I would like to recommend that Steve Saunders, who currently serves as a County appointee be appointed as the Chairperson.

## **MAYOR'S RECOMMENDATION:**

By motion and ROLL CALL VOTE, appoint Chris Perry to serve a two-year term on the Elizabeth City-Pasquotank County Airport Authority to expire on June 30, 2025. Additionally, appoint Steve Saunders as the Chairperson.

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